Budu language

Budu is a <u>Bantu language</u> spoken by the <u>Budu people</u> in the <u>Wamba Territory</u> in the <u>Orientale Province</u> of the <u>Democratic Republic of the Congo</u>. Its orthography uses the special characters $\dot{\underline{\mathbf{z}}}$, $\dot{\underline{\mathbf{u}}}$, $\dot{\underline{\mathbf{z}}}$ and $\dot{\underline{\mathbf{D}}}$, as well as <u>modifier letters</u> colon $\dot{\underline{\mathbf{z}}}$ and equal sign = for grammatical tone, marking past and future tense, respectively.

A variety of this language is called **Matta** and is spoken locally both north and south of Maboma.

Notes

- 1. Budu (https://www.ethnologue.com/18/language/buu/) at *Ethnologue* (18th ed., 2015)
- Hammarström, Harald; Forkel, Robert; Haspelmath, Martin, eds. (2017). "Budu" (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/budu1250). Glottolog 3.0. Jena, Germany: Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History.
- 3. Jouni Filip Maho, 2009. New Updated Guthrie List Online (https://web.archive.org/web/20180203191542/http://goto.glocalnet.net/mahopapers/nuglonline.pdf)

Budu	
Native to	Democratic Republic of the Congo
Region	Orientale Province
Ethnicity	Budu
Native speakers	(180,000 cited 1991) ^[1]
Language family	Niger–Congo
	Atlantic— Congo
	Benue–Congo
	Southern Bantoid
	Bantu (Zone D.30)
	■ Nyali (Budu– Ndaka)
	■ Budu
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	buu
Glottolog	budu1250 (htt p://glottolog.o rg/resource/lan guoid/id/budu12 50) ^[2]
Guthrie code	D.332 ^[3]

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